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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**APPROVAL TO DONATE COUNTY SURPLUS PROPERTY TO THE
SOCIETY FOR PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS - LOS ANGELES
(ALL DISTRICTS) (4 VOTES)**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Approve the donation of a 2000 Ford Crown Victoria, vehicle identification number 2FAFP71W1YX169934, from the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (Department) to the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals - Los Angeles (SPCA-LA), to assist in their enforcement of animal cruelty statutes in the State of California.
2. Find that this donation of surplus property will benefit the general interest and welfare of the citizens of Los Angeles County.
3. Waive the indemnity and insurance requirements generally associated with County donations of surplus property.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The Department has received a request from the SPCA-LA to replace one of three vehicles that was recently removed from service. Officers from the SPCA-LA have full peace officer powers and respond to an average of 2,500 animal cruelty complaints per year in Los Angeles County. The organization is funded through private donations and offers its services free-of-charge to the public. The SPCA-LA also provides training to law enforcement agencies and assist in investigations and emergency animal evacuations during major incidents and disasters.

A Tradition of Service

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The donation of the surplus vehicle to the SPCA-LA supports the County of Los Angeles' Strategic Plan Goal 1, Service Excellence, as this donation will assist fellow law enforcement officers to continue to provide Los Angeles County residents with critically needed services.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no fiscal impact on the County budget. The vehicle to be donated has reached the end of its service life with the Department. No financing is involved, and the SPCA-LA will assume all licensing and maintenance costs upon Board approval.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

In approving this donation, your Board must find that the gift must serve the general interests and welfare of the citizens of the County as a whole (Government Code Sections 25365; 25504.) This gift serves this purpose, as residents of Los Angeles County have long benefitted from the services provided by the SPCA-LA. The donation of the vehicle will assist the SPCA-LA in their delivery of services to the County. This donation has been approved as to form by County Counsel.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

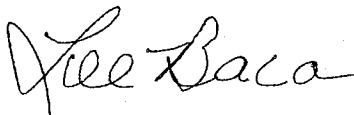
This action will have no impact on current services.

CONCLUSION

This is an opportunity for the County of Los Angeles to assist the SPCA-LA and their humane officers with the means to continue to enforce the animal cruelty statutes of the State of California, and to support the citizens of Los Angeles County.

Upon your Board's approval, please send an adopted copy of this letter to the Department's Administrative Services Division.

Sincerely,



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